

## ABSTRACT

**IMPROVEMENTS IN OR RELATING TO FAULT TOLERANT SYSTEMS**

- 5 According to one embodiment of the present invention, there is provided a method of storing context information in an outgoing message sent from a node using a protocol stack having at least one layer, comprising: selectively indicating to a layer of the protocol stack that context information should be obtained for that layer; obtaining context information in accordance with the indication; and adding the obtained
- 10 context information to the outgoing message such that a response to the message contains the context information.

[FIGURE 3]